## In the Claims

For the convenience of the Examiner, all pending claims of the present Application are shown below in numerical order whether or not an amendment has been made.

1. (Currently Amended) A method for use in a Web Services system, comprising:

providing a Web Services Directory having object classes and attributes; and defining attributes of a specific type which correspond to a specific object class; and generating an index based on the specific attribute types.

- 2. **(Original)** The method as recited in claim 1, wherein the object classes are a subclass of an abstract object class.
- 3. **(Original)** The method as recited in claim 1, wherein the specific object class relates to at least one of keyed references, names and classes.
- 4. **(Original)** The method as recited in claim 1, wherein the object class is an auxiliary object class.
- 5. **(Original)** The method as recited in claim 4, wherein the auxiliary object class is a Publisher Assertion Keyed Reference.
- 6. **(Original)** The method as recited in claim 5, further comprising providing specific attributes which relate to one object class for a purpose of enhancing searching.

7. **(Currently Amended)** A computer recording medium including computer executable code for use in a Web Services system, comprising:

code for providing a Web Services Directory having object classes and attributes; and code for defining attributes of a specific type which correspond to a specific object class; and

code for generating an index based on the specific attribute types.

- 8. **(Original)** The computer recording medium as recited in claim 7, wherein the object classes are a subclass of an abstract object class.
- 9. **(Original)** The computer recording medium as recited in claim 7, wherein the specific object class relates to at least one of keyed references, names and classes.
- 10. **(Original)** The computer recording medium as recited in claim 7, wherein the object class is an auxiliary object class.
- 11. **(Original)** The computer recording medium as recited in claim 10, wherein the auxiliary object class is a Publisher Assertion Keyed Reference.
- 12. **(Original)** The computer recording medium as recited in claim 11, further comprising code for providing specific attributes which relate to one object class for a purpose of enhancing searching.

13. (Previously Presented) A method for use in a Web Services system, comprising:

providing a Web Services Directory having a plurality of object classes, the plurality of object classes having a plurality of attributes;

defining a plurality of unique names for each of the plurality of attributes, each of the plurality of unique names corresponding to a respective one of the plurality of object classes; and

generating an index based on the plurality of unique names.

- 14. (Previously Presented) The method as recited in claim 13, wherein the plurality of object classes comprise subclasses of an abstract object class.
- 15. **(Previously Presented)** The method as recited in claim 13, wherein each of the plurality of object classes relate to at least one of keyed references, names and classes.
- 16. (Previously Presented) The method as recited in claim 13, wherein the plurality of object classes comprise auxiliary object classes.
- 17. **(Previously Presented)** The method as recited in claim 16, wherein the auxiliary object classes comprise Publisher Assertion Keyed References.